

completion of her tour, CSM King was reassigned to Fort Stewart, Georgia, as a Platoon Sergeant in Bravo Company, 724th Main Support Battalion; given the opportunity to serve as a First Sergeant, she was reassigned to 24th Forward Support Battalion, Fort Stewart, Georgia. After completion of First Sergeant duties, she attended the First Sergeant Course and was selected to work as a active duty advisor to the National Guard, 1454th Transportation Battalion, Concord, North Carolina; assigned to Readiness Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, from 1993–1995.

Her next assignment was with the 2nd Infantry Division; Camp Red Cloud, Korea, as the NCOIC of the Division Transportation Office. She was reassigned to Fort Story, Virginia, serving as both First Sergeant and Battalion Command Sergeant Major. In 1998 she attended the United States Army Sergeants Major Academy, Class 49 with a subsequent assignment in 1999 to Advanced Individual Training Battalion, 58th Transportation Battalion, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. CSM King served as the Brigade Command Sergeant Major in Kaiserslautern, Germany, with the 1st Transportation Movement Control Agency from May 18, 2001 to June 20, 2003. She currently serves as the Command Sergeant Major for Installation Management Agency-Europe, Heidelberg, Germany.

Her awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, 4th OLC, Army Commendation Medal, 3rd OLC, Army Achievement Medal, 3rd OLC, Good Conduct Ribbon, 10th Award, National Defense Ribbon, Humanitarian Service Ribbon, Overseas Ribbon, 3, and the NCOES Ribbon.

CSM King is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie King of Fernandina Beach, Florida. She has two children, Tiffany, a graduate of Georgia Southern University and Nathan, a member of the Florida National Guard and a junior at Florida A & M University, Tallahassee, Florida.

Mr. Speaker, CSM King has set a high standard of service, and her career embodies the commitment to honor, duty and service to country. I wish her well on her retirement and every happiness and success in her future endeavors.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO JODET-MARIE HARRIS

HON. JON C. PORTER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 26, 2006

Mr. PORTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Ms. Jodet-Marie Harris for her exceptional work as a Clark County high school teacher.

Jodet, a teacher at Mojave High School in Las Vegas, Nevada, holds certification as a Highly Qualified Teacher (HQT) in accordance with the No Child Left Behind Act. She has obtained both a Master's degree in Special Education and a Doctorate in General Education studies. She is also a National Board Certified Teacher.

According to Mojave High School Principal, Charity Varnado, Jodet has a passion to take a child under her wings and work with them individually to focus on the needs of that child and what it is that will help them learn." Jodet

has realized that, when working with special education students, patience and compassion helps each student to understand the material being covered.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I honor Ms. Jodet-Marie Harris. Her dedication and enthusiasm has greatly enriched the lives of her students. I commend her devotion to constantly looking for innovative ways to increase the learning opportunities of her students and I wish her luck in all of her future undertakings.

RECOGNITION OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL SUSAN K. RIOPEL'S RETIREMENT FROM THE UNITED STATES ARMY

HON. JACK KINGSTON

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 26, 2006

Mr. KINGSTON. Mr. Speaker, today I wish to honor my friend, LTC Susan K. Riopel, a respected officer in the United States Army Reserve, as she retires after having distinguished herself by continuous meritorious performance during 23 years of dedicated service.

LTC Susan Riopel was selected and served as one of the prestigious Army Congressional Fellows from August 1998 until November 1999, handling a wide range of responsibilities such as preparing input for committee hearings and conference mark-ups and conducting research and analysis, recommending sponsorship of bills, drafting speeches, talking points and press releases. Upon completion of her assignment as an Army Congressional Fellow, LTC Susan Riopel continued as a Legislative Liaison, for the Army Office of the Chief of Legislative Liaison as well as the Office of the Chief, Army Reserve Legislative Liaison.

LTC Susan Riopel has been an exemplary leader. Her efforts have brought a higher quality of life to the men and women in uniform who serve our country. She is, however, first and foremost, a loving and supportive wife to Frank, her husband, a caring and understanding mother to her children, Elizabeth and David.

Mr. President, I therefore honor LTC Susan Riopel today for her outstanding contributions to the United States Army Reserve as well as our Nation. She is a visionary and a leader and a mentor, a beloved wife, and mother, and I am proud to call her my friend.

TRIBUTE TO DIANE AND EMERY KLEIN

HON. SANDER M. LEVIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 26, 2006

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize two leaders from my district, Diane and Emery Klein.

This marvelous couple has teamed to provide an unusual level of commitment to community. They are being honored on September 28th with the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit's most prestigious recognition, the Fred M. Butzel Award.

Emery and Diane are passionate advocates for innumerable Jewish causes and organizations and give tirelessly of their time and talents. The presentation of the Fred M. Butzel Award is the latest honor presented to Emery and Diane for their service to the community.

Emery is a past chair of the Federation's Annual Campaign, past president of the Hebrew Free Loan Association, and a national board member of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee. His honors include the Yeshiva Beth Yehudah Golden Torah Award, the International Association of Hebrew Free Loans Maimonides G'Millut Chasodim Award, and the Bar Ilan Honorary Fellowship Award.

Diane is a native Detroit and past president of Federation's Women's Department, past vice president of the Federation, past president of the Greater Detroit Chapter of Hadassah and a past vice president of the Fresh Air Society. Diane has also generously contributed her talents to the Jewish Vocational Service, the Jewish Community Council and Israel Bonds Women's Division. Diane is a recipient of the Hadassah National Leadership Award and an Israel Bonds Lion of Judah Honoree.

Emery and Diane Klein have carried out with unusual passion their duties as citizens of their beloved country. Born in Czechoslovakia and a survivor of the Holocaust, Emery Klein has devoted himself to assure our Nation's full commitment to the security of Israel as the homeland of the Jewish people. He is currently a Board member of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee. His deep belief in democratic values, freedom and tolerance has motivated his decades of political activity, including an active role in Presidential campaigns including Bill Clinton's and in many Congressional races. Diane has been an active partner in these efforts.

Committed to education, the Kleins have established an Excellence in Education Fund to support professional development of Jewish educators in our community.

They are devoted to their children, Jeffrey and Barbara, and grandchildren, Spencer, Griffin, Zoe and Isabel.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Emery and Diane Klein. They have worked tirelessly to make a difference and they indeed have done so. Privileged to witness their devotion and advocacy firsthand, I know I speak for many others in offering congratulations to Emery and Diane Klein as they are honored for their service with the Fred M. Butzel Award.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JIM GIBBONS

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 26, 2006

Mr. GIBBONS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to explain how I would have voted on September 25, 2006 during rollcall votes No. 471, No. 472, and No. 473 during the second session of the 109th Congress.

Rollcall vote No. 471 was on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 5059.

Rollcall vote No. 472 was on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 5062.

Rollcall vote No. 473 was on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 6102.